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El Paso Receives Major Recognitions at Annual Texas City Management Association Conference

El Paso, Texas – June 6, 2006 - City Manager Joyce Wilson was honored as the Administrator of the Year for 2006 by the Texas City Management Association (TCMA) at its annual conference in Corpus Christi. The award recognizes a city management leader for substantial contributions to the profession. Citing her tremendous work and achievements in El Paso's successful transition to the Council/Manager form of government, incoming TCMA President Mark McDaniel, Deputy City Manager of Tyler, TX stated, "This was a well deserved recognition. Joyce has helped a lot of our members understand how much we need each other and must commonly work toward a preparing ourselves to take on today's challenges in local government," said McDaniel.

Wilson said she was honored to be recognized by her colleagues at TCMA. "TCMA and Texas Municipal League have been extremely supportive of me and the City of El Paso during the past two years. I'm very honored to be a part of such a great organization and to work with such outstanding City management leaders around the state. It's gratifying to receive this type of recognition from such a fine group of managers and leaders."

McDaniel also announced that the El Paso Mayor and City Council was selected to receive TCMA's first City Council of the Year Award 2006 for its leadership and vision for positive change for the City of El Paso.

"Having worked with three prior administrations, the cooperativeness between the Council and City administration has never been better," said Mayor John Cook.

The criteria for this award included a commitment to a Code of Ethics and conduct supporting such a code, exceptional leadership in policy making and important legislation impacting the welfare of the community, a commitment to professional development of the City Council and City staff and good financial stewardship.

TCMA leaders will be in El Paso in July to formally present this award to the El Paso City Council and to promote and celebrate their contributions to local government through the state.